

In re Application of: Crump, et al.

Serial No.: 09/716,486

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with Improved Valve and Collar

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| | Claims remaining after amendment | Highest number previously paid for | Present Extra | | Additional Fee |
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| Total Effective Claims | 12 | minus 20 | = 0 | x \$18 = | \$ 0 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | minus 3 | = 0 | x \$84 = | \$ 0 |
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Sir:

The present response is being submitted in view of the Office Action mailed May 1, 2003, in the above-captioned application. This response is in the format called for in the proposal to revise 37 CFR § 1.121. Please enter the following response:

IN THE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

On May 7, 2001, Applicants submitted a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement listing five co-pending U.S. Patent Applications for the Examiner's consideration. At the present time, Applicants have not received a signed off copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement List. Applications. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner provide the Applicants with the signed off Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement List showing the Examiner's initials next to the five applications

Applicants are also submitting a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement accompanied with the present Response. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement cites seven U.S. Patents for the Examiner's consideration. A separate Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted with the present Response.